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## Farmers' Clubs.

Such a great necessity have farmers' clubs become to the progressive agriculturist that it would be difficult to find a good farmer who does not either belong to one, or is earnestly anxious to join one. When properly conducted, and the members give some study to the subjects proposed for discussion, they become fruitful schools for the dissemination of valuable truths gathered from the fields of experience, and preserved by this means for the instruction of all who are to come after.

So important are they regarded that many of the State Bureau of Agriculture are encouraging their formation in every part of the country. If the farmers could once become interested in them and have a collection of books on agricultural subjects, the benefits that would flow from them would be visible in the increased social enjoyments of that most valuable class of the community.

Generally, farmers have but a few social pleasures. Their business is one of a segregative character, separating those engaged in it to a distance too great, usually, to indulge in such enjoyments. They work harder and enjoy fewer of the comforts and luxuries of life than any other class. Association begts liberality of views and soundness of principle. A farmer in this age must let his thoughts go beyond the limit of his enclosures. He must become a part of the great living world, or else he must become its dupe. He must either move with the current or the current will overwhelm him. No way has heretofore been suggested by which he can give out his strength or experience so effectively as in the social gatherings of the clubs. One improvement in their management only we would suggest. Let more be written. Men think more when they write. They will gather many more facts and these facts will be better grouped and of more benefit to the farmer. At least four essays should be read at every meeting upon some subjects selected at the previous meeting. The publication of these essays will stimulate the pride of their authors and encourage them to still higher efforts.—*Union and America.*

## No Such Word as Fail.

One of the finest passages in Bulwer's play of *Kichiliou*, is the following:

Kichiliou—"Young man, be blithe, for note me, from the hour I grasp that packet, think your guardian stars rain fortune on you."

Francesco—"If I fail?"

Kichiliou—"Fail! fail! In the bright lexicon of youth, which fate reserves for a glorious mankind, there is no such as fail!"

And why should a young man fail? If he be honest if he be honorable, if he be upright, if he be energetic, if he be gifted,

he will be right in heart and strong in virtue, he will not fail. The youth is father of man, and if he has in himself the elements of a glorious manhood, he can smile at the darkest frowns of fortune and the bitterest opposition of men.

## A Remarkable Calculation.

In the year 1815, Elijah Watson, a friend of Benjamin Franklin, made public a calculation as to the population of the United States for each decade up to the year 1900.

The closeness with which his predictions tally with the census reports up to 1870, is somewhat wonderful. His estimate for 1870 was very much disturbed by the war.

Year Estimated Pop. Act. Results.

1820	6,025,000	6,028,151
1830	10,000,000	10,000,000
1840	17,116,526	17,062,565
1850	25,155,363	25,155,363
1860	31,753,624	31,455,983
1870	42,925,072	48,658,180
1880	56,159,231	56,159,231
1890	66,350,935	66,350,935
1900	76,550,935	76,550,935

The Superintendent of the Census estimates the loss of population by the late war as follows: Direct loss from wounds and disease, 500,000; additional Confederate lost, 35,000; indirect loss by withdrawal of 1,500,000 men from domestic life, and the consequent diminution of birth, 1,235,000; loss by the check given to immigration, 354,000 retardation of increase in the colored population, 562,000; total, 3,000,000.

## An Honest Face.

We have seen several very fine pictures of Horace Greeley, all of which present us with a good honest face. There is none of your wily, sinister, de ceptive smiles or grins about it; but the whole contour presents us a truly honest, American face; such as one would expect to meet on the farm of a well-to-do citizen in any of our prosperous States. There is none of the rogue about any single lineament. There is none of the smile of the trickster and political wire-worker; for going upon the round, broad face of the farmer-editor of Chappaqua, one is at once impressed with the thought that in Horace Greeley, our country, torn and shattered as it is, would have a safe, wise and liberal ruler. Shall we give in our adhesion to him and his assistant? Or shall we risk our all by the nomination of a distinct ticket?

"I have lost my appetite," said a gigantic fellow, who was an eminent performer on the trouser, to a friend. "I hope," said the friend, "no poor man has found it; for it would ruin him in a week."

A CLERGYMAN gave a tonset that was not very gallant, at a late fireman's exhibition. Our fire engines—may they be like old maid's, ever ready, but never wanted.

"I'm so thirsty," said a boy, at work in a cornfield. "Well, work away," said his industrious father, "you know the prophet says, 'Hoc, every one that thirsteth.'

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